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NOTIFICATION

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 36 of the Commissions for Protection of Child Rights Act 2005 (Central Act No.4 of 2006), the Government of Karnataka hereby makes following rules further to amend the Karnataka State Commission for Protection of Child Right Rules, 2010 namely:-

RULES

1. Title and Commencement.- (1) These rules may be called the Karnataka State Commission for Protection of Child Rights (Amendment) Rules, 2025.

(2) They shall come into force from the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.

2. Amendment of rule 3.- In the Karnataka State Commission for Protection of Child Right Rules, 2010 (hereinafter referred to as the said rules), in rule 3,-

(i) in sub-rule(1),-

(a) in clause(a), for the words “five years of work ”, the words “ten years of exceptional work”, shall be substituted;

(b) in clause (b), after the words “political party”, the words “or mass organizations affiliated to political parties” shall be inserted.

(c) after clause (b) as so amended, the following clause shall be inserted, namely:-

“(c) The Chairperson shall not be less than forty years of age and the Members shall not be less than thirty-five years of age on the date of notification of the appointment.”

(ii) after sub-rule (1) as so amended, the following shall be inserted, namely:-

"(2) No person having been convicted and sentenced for imprisonment of an offence shall be eligible for appointment as Chairperson or Member of the Commission."

(iii) after sub-rule (2) as so inserted, the following shall be inserted, namely:-

"(3) No person having been removed or dismissed from service of the Central Government or State Government or a body or corporation owned or controlled by the Central Government or a State Government shall be eligible for appointment as Chairperson or Member of the Commission.

(4) A person appointed as the Chairperson or Member shall,-

(a) if a Member of the Parliament or of the Legislature of any State, resign such membership; or

(b) if holds any office of trust or profit, resign from such office; or

(c) if is connected with any political party, sever their connection with it; or

(d) if is carrying on any business, sever their connection (short of divesting themselves of ownership) with the conduct and management of such business; or

(e) if is practicing any profession, suspend practice of such profession; or

(f) if working in or connected to any non-governmental organization, sever their connection.

(5) The Chairperson and Members shall be appointed together to the Commission and there shall be no delay in such appointments.

(6) The Selection Committee shall, on the basis of the eligibility and evaluation criteria, select and recommend a panel of names in the order of merit to the State Government for appointment as Chairperson and Members of the Commission."

3. Amendment of rule 5. In the said rules, in rule 5, after sub-rule (12) and the entries relating thereto, the following shall be inserted, namely:-

"(13) Prepare the travel schedule of the Chairperson and Members in consultation with them and assist with the necessary arrangements for meetings in places other than its office in Bengaluru.

(14) Officially communicate to concerned authorities and send summons for inquiries as per FORM- V on behalf of the Commission and based on the instructions of the Commission issued in official meetings."

4. Amendment of rule 6.- In the said rules, in rule 6,-

(i) after sub-rule (1), the following shall be inserted, namely:-

"(1-a) The State Government shall provide induction and capacity building training within one month from the date their appointment to the Chairperson and Members. The refresher training shall be provided at regular intervals, keeping in view their statutory responsibilities."

(ii) for sub-rule (4), the following shall be substituted, namely:-

" (4) If the Chairperson is unable to discharge his functions owing to illness or other incapacity, the State Government shall nominate any other member based on the order of merit recommended by the Selection Committee to act as Chairperson and the member so nominated shall hold office of Chairperson until the Chairperson resumes office for the remainder of his term."

5. Amendment of rule 12.- In the said rules, in rule 12,-

(i) for sub-rule (1), the following shall be substituted, namely:-

"(1) The Commission shall meet on a fixed day every month regularly at its headquarters in Bengaluru."

(ii) after sub-rule (2), the following shall be inserted, namely:-

"(2-a) To the extent possible, the Commission shall prepare in advance a detailed itinerary for its travel outside Bengaluru, provide it to the Secretary and seek the assistance of the Secretary for necessary arrangements."

6. Insertion of new rules 12A and 12B.- In the said rules, after rule 12, the following shall be inserted, namely:-

"12A. Functions of the Commission: The Commission shall, in addition to the functions assigned to it under clauses (a) to (k) of sub-section (1) of section 13, perform the following functions, namely:-

(a) analyze existing law, policy and practice to assess compliance with Convention on the Rights of the Child, undertake inquiries and produce reports on any aspect of policy and practice affecting children and comment on proposed new legislation from a child rights perspective;

(b) present to the State Government annually and at such other intervals as the Commission may deem fit, reports upon the working of those safeguards.

(c)study national and other state policies that impact children and ensure that they comply with international child rights standards.

(d) present to the State Government, National Commission for the Protection of Child Rights and other Commissions of the State

annually and such other intervals as the Commission may deem fit, reports upon the working of those safeguards;

(e) promote, respect and give serious consideration of the views of children in its work and in that of all Government Departments and Organizations dealing with children.

(f) produce and disseminate information about child rights, the Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education Act, 2009 (Central Act 35 of 2009), the Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015 (Central Act 02 of 2016), the Protection of Children from Sexual Offences Act, 2012 (Central Act 32 of 2012), the Child and Adolescent Labour (Prohibition and Regulation) Act, 1986(Central Act 61 of 1986), the Prohibition of Child Marriage Act, 2006(Central Act 06 of 2007), the National Food Security Act, 2013(Central Act 20 of 2013), the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016 (Central Act 49 of 2016), and other relevant laws and schemes.

(g) compile and analyze data on children and recommend policy changes.

(h) promote the incorporation of child rights, child protection, and sexuality education into the school curriculum, teachers training and training of personnel dealing with children.

(i) refer cases and issues of national and inter-state importance to the National Commission for the Protection of Child Rights as and when required.

(j) make regional visits and hold public meetings and public hearings at least once in six months in all divisions of the State and submit reports to the State Government for necessary action.

(k) disseminate widely the role, mandate and functions of the Commission and how it can be accessed.

(l) discharge the functions under sections 31 and 32 of the Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education Act, 2009(Central Act 35 of 2009), section 44 of the Protection of Children from Sexual Offences Act, 2012 (Central Act 32 of 2012), and rule 12 of the Protection of Children from Sexual Offences Rules, 2020 and section 109 of the Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015 (Central Act 02 of 2016) and the Karnataka Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Rules,2025.

12B. Panel of consultants.- (1) The Commission may constitute a panel of consultants for assisting the Commission in a wide range of tasks including inquiry, to serve on task forces or Committees, for study, research and analysis of specific legislations or issues concerning children and their rights.

(2) The Commission may draw on experts with relevant competence from academic, research, administrative, investigative, legal or credible civil society groups to form the panel.

(3) The Commission may devise a transparent process of empanelling consultants with adequate expertise so that they are available for quick delegation of tasks"

7. Amendment of rule 15.- In the said rules, for rule 15, the following shall be substituted, namely:-

"**15. Transaction of Business out side headquarters.-** (1) The Commission or some members may transact business at places outside its headquarters after obtaining approval by the Chairperson:

Provided that, if parties are to be heard in connection with any inquiry under the Act the quorum shall be four including the Chairperson or their nominee from within the Commission.

(2) Where district level review meetings are held, the quorum shall be four including the Chairperson or their nominee from within the Commission. Such review meeting shall be held in the presence of the Deputy Commissioner and the Chief Executive Officer, Zilla Panchayat.

(3) Where meetings are to be held with any department at the district or taluk level, at least two members shall conduct such meetings of the Commission, in the presence of officials of the concerned department."

8. Insertion of new FORM V.- In the said rules, after FORM IV the following shall inserted, namely:-

By Order and in the name of the Government of Karnataka

(MURALIDHAR S TALLIKERI)
Deputy Secretary to Government-2,
Department of Women and Child Development and
Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities and Senior Citizens.

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FORM V

[See rule 5 (14)]

(Summons for Attendance of Persons Complained Against/Witnesses)

No/

Dated:

To,

Name & Designation of person

1. Whereas the State Commission for Protection of Child Rights is a statutory body empowered by Parliament to monitor working of rights and safeguards provided in the Constitution and Laws of the country for children, and to look into specific complaints regarding deprivation of such rights and safeguards by exercising "all powers of a civil court"; and

2. Whereas section 14(1)(a) of the Commission for Protection of Child Rights Act, 2005 specifically gives the Commission the power of "summoning and enforcing the attendance of any person and examining him on oath"; and Section 14(1)(b) gives the power of "discovery and production of any document".

3.Whereas the Commission has taken cognizance of the complaint/representation/report/ impugned action mentioned below:

Date on which complaint was filed:

Reference No:

Brief summary of complaint:

4. Now therefore: the Commission has decided that you shall kindly appear in person in the Commission's office or at the specified place with the following documents, before the Bench of Members mentioned below:

a. Documents required _____and be present along with all necessary files/documents in support of the contentions you may want to make:

5. You will have to appear before a bench of the Commission on

_____ _____(Date) at _____(Time) in _____ (Place).

Kindly Note: that if you do not comply with this requirement you will be liable to all the legal consequences of ignoring directions of a lawful authority of competent jurisdiction."

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